

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF
COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. McCAIN for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

*Louis S. Thompson, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

*Floyd Hall, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

*Robert L. Crandall, of Texas, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

*Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Transportation.

*Kirk Van Tine, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

*Elizabeth Courtney, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2010.

*Elizabeth Courtney, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for the remainder of the term expiring January 31, 2004.

*Cheryl Feldman Halpern, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

*Michael D. Gallagher, of Washington, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information.

Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without obligation, it is so ordered.

Coast Guard nominations beginning Jeffrey L. Busch and ending John S. Welch, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 3, 2003.

Cost Guard nominations beginning William D. Adkins and ending Michael S. Zidik, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 3, 2003.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND
JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BENNETT:

S. 1876. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands and facilities of the Provo River Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

By Mr. ROBERTS:

S. 1877. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to improve the enrollment of

cropland into the conservation reserve program through the farmable wetlands program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina:

S. 1878. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to preserve and strengthen the Social Security program through the creation of personal retirement accounts funded by employer and employee Social Security payroll deductions, to restore the solvency of the old-age survivors, and disability insurance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. ENSIGN, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 1879. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend provisions relating to mammography quality standards; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. WARNER, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. SANTORUM):

S. 1880. A bill to establish the Special Blue Ribbon Commission on Chesapeake Bay Nutrient Pollution Control Financing; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. GREGG):

S. 1881. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to make technical corrections relating to the amendments by the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act of 2002, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. REED, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 1882. A bill to require that certain notifications occur whenever a query to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System reveals that a person listed in the Violent Gang and Terrorist Organization File is attempting to purchase a firearm, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. CRAIG):

S. 1883. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide greater access for residents of frontier areas to the healthcare services provided by community health centers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for Mr. KERRY):

S. 1884. A bill to assure a healthy American manufacturing sector, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for Mr. KERRY):

S. 1885. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for manufacturing businesses in the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for Mr. KERRY):

S. 1886. A bill to amend the Small Business Act and the Small Business Act of 1958 to establish the National Office for the Development of Small Manufacturers, to increase the level of assistance available for small manufacturers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. BIDEN):

S. 1887. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, and Mr. BAYH):

S. 1888. A bill to halt Saudi support for institutions that fund, train, incite, encourage, or in any other way aid and abet terrorism, and to secure full Saudi cooperation in the investigation of terrorist incidents; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND
SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. Res. 267. A resolution designating 2004 as "The Year of Polio Awareness"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina

(for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. KYL, Mr. WARNER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. REED, Mr. BURNS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. Res. 268. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the deaths of 19 citizens of Italy in Iraq; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. Con. Res. 82. A concurrent resolution recognizing the importance of Ralph Bunche as one of the great leaders of the United States, the first African-American Nobel Peace Prize winner, an accomplished scholar, a distinguished diplomat, and a tireless campaigner of civil rights for people throughout the world; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. Con. Res. 83. A concurrent resolution promoting the establishment of a democracy caucus within the United Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 322

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 322, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain sightseeing flights from taxes on air transportation.

S. 641

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to support the Federal Excess Personal Property program of the Forest Service by making it a priority of the Department of Defense to transfer to the Forest Service excess personal property of the Department of Defense that is suitable to be loaned to rural fire departments.

S. 684

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 684, a bill to create an office within the Department of Justice to undertake certain specific steps to ensure that all American citizens harmed by terrorism overseas receive equal treatment by the United States Government

regardless of the terrorists' country of origin or residence, and to ensure that all terrorists involved in such attacks are pursued, prosecuted, and punished with equal vigor, regardless of the terrorists' country of origin or residence.

S. 985

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) were added as cosponsors of S. 985, a bill to amend the Federal Law Enforcement Pay Reform Act of 1990 to adjust the percentage differentials payable to Federal law enforcement officers in certain high-cost areas, and for other purposes.

S. 1209

At the request of Mr. BENNETT, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1209, a bill to provide for the acquisition of property in Washington County, Utah, for implementation of a desert tortoise habitat conservation plan.

S. 1223

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1223, a bill to increase the number of well-trained mental health service professionals (including those based in schools) providing clinical mental health care to children and adolescents, and for other purposes.

S. 1266

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1266, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Dorothy Height, in recognition of her many contributions to the Nation.

S. 1482

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1482, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the reduction in the deductible portion of expenses for business meals and entertainment.

S. 1645

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1645, a bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain foreign agricultural workers, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reform the H-2A worker program under that Act, to provide a stable, legal agricultural workforce, to extend basic legal protections and better working conditions to more workers, and for other purposes.

S. 1709

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1709, a bill to amend the USA PATRIOT ACT to place reason-

able limitations on the use of surveillance and the issuance of search warrants, and for other purposes.

S. 1800

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1800, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to enhance literacy in finance and economics, and for other purposes.

S. 1813

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1813, a bill to prohibit profiteering and fraud relating to military action, relief, and reconstruction efforts in Iraq, and for other purposes.

S. 1871

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1871, a bill to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2004.

S. CON. RES. 81

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 81, a concurrent resolution expressing the deep concern of Congress regarding the failure of the Islamic Republic of Iran to adhere to its obligations under a safeguards agreement with the International Atomic Energy Agency and the engagement by Iran in activities that appear to be designed to develop nuclear weapons.

S. RES. 202

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 202, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the genocidal Ukraine Famine of 1932-33.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. BENNETT:

S. 1876. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands and facilities of the Provo River Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation authorizing the title transfer of certain features of the Provo River Project, UT, from the Bureau of Reclamation to non-Federal ownership. This title transfer will provide many benefits, both directly and indirectly, for both the local government and the Federal Government, including economic, environmental, recreational, and safety benefits.

The facilities to be transferred are the Provo Reservoir Canal and associated lands and structures, the Salt Lake Aqueduct and associated lands and structures, and a 3.79 acre parcel of

land in Pleasant Grove, UT. The Provo Reservoir Canal is a large, open, mostly unlined, 21.5 mile long canal that was constructed by the United States in the 1940s. The water transported through the Provo Reservoir Canal is used principally for municipal and industrial purposes. The Salt Lake Aqueduct is a 41.7 mile long, 69 inch diameter pipe, constructed by the United States and completed in 1951. The Provo River Water Users Association recently constructed a \$2 million office and shop complex on the Pleasant Grove property, without the use of Federal funds.

Title transfer will facilitate the use of tax-exempt bond financing and low-interest loan financing for needed improvements. Currently, there is no Reclamation program for rehabilitating aging Reclamation facilities. Federal ownership of the facilities to be improved prevents low interest loans by others. On the Federal level, the transfer would eliminate the demands on limited Reclamation resources for the administration of the Salt Lake Aqueduct and the Provo Reservoir Canal.

It is anticipated that following title transfer, needed improvements would be made. For example, the Provo Reservoir Canal will be enclosed to provide for the conservation of water, improved water quality and security, the construction of a public trail system on top of the canal, and to eliminate the hazards of an open unlined canal in an urban environment. The critical importance of eliminating the safety hazard of an open canal in an urban setting was recently reinforced by the tragic death of two young men who unfortunately were lured by the thrill of attempting a swim through the canal to the other end. The enclosure of the canal would eliminate this safety risk and hopefully prevent any others from making a similar mistake.

The transfer has significant local support, including Utah County, Salt Lake County, Sandy City, Salt Lake City, Lindon City, Draper, Pleasant Grove City, Orem City and American Fork City.

I look forward to working with the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake and Sandy, the Provo River Water Users Association, and all interested parties to make this title transfer a success.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. ENSIGN, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 1879. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend provisions relating to mammography quality standards; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, I rise to introduce the Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act of 2003. I am pleased to be joined in introducing this bill by Senator ENSIGN and